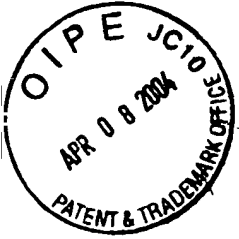


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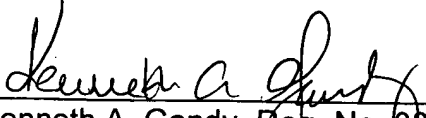
## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the requirement for restriction in the above-referenced case, applicant hereby elects Group II, claims 20-28, drawn to a cardiomyocyte having introduced nucleic acid encoding a cyclin D2 protein. Applicant reserves the rights of rejoinder of method claims employing the claimed product. In this regard, it is noted that there are currently pending certain method claims that require the use of a cardiomyocyte having introduced nucleic acid encoding a cyclin D2 protein.

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